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(c) the amount of local help given both in kind and money for building these libraries;

(d) the number of paid librarians working;

(e) the amount spent for the purchase of books to furnish the libraries for the year 1952–53;

(f) how many libraries are supplied dailies at Government cost; and

(g) the total amount spent by the Government exclusively for maintaining the libraries of this area in the year 1952–53?

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO:—"(a) Pellur in Ongole taluk.

"(b) 24.

"(c) Rs. 29,400-2-0.

"(d) One.

"(e) Rs. 500.

"(f) One.

"(g) Rs. 1,732-5-0."

Minor irrigation works in Ponnani taluk.

* 956 Q.—SRI E. T. KUNHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation in the month of December 1952, regarding certain minor irrigation works to be started in Ponnani taluk, Malabar district; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government on the matter?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—"(a) A representation, dated 2nd December 1952 from the hon. Member requesting that two more vents may be opened to the Viyam Dam and that the two channels joining above this dam may be widened and deepened and bunds constructed across them was received in December 1952.

"(b) As the suggestions had been previously examined and considered not feasible or necessary, no further action was called for on the representation."

Lower division clerks in the Revenue Department.

* 957 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether a large number of temporary lower division clerks (unqualified) in the district and division offices have been ousted or reverted under the recent orders of the Revenue Board; and

(b) the maximum period of service of those ousted or reverted and why they were so ousted or reverted?